



COUNCIL NEWS

University of Adelaide Council meeting held on Monday 28 August 2023

Report from the Chancellor

The Chancellor reported on recent events she attended including:

- the announcement of the Ian and Pamela Wall Endowed Chair in Electrical and Electronic Engineering;
- the SA Parliament's Joint Committee on the Establishment of Adelaide University.

Report from the Vice-Chancellor and President

The Vice-Chancellor and President reported on various matters, including:

- an update on the transition work for the proposed merger with UniSA including project management, legal and academic governance, curriculum, research, systems, and stakeholder engagement; and
- Professor Roger Byard AO PSM and Professor Adam Graycar being awarded the title of Emeritus Professor, and Professor Martha Augoustinos being awarded the title of Emerita Professor, acknowledging their immense contributions to the University community upon their retirement.

Other reports

Council considered reports from:

- the Academic Board, including its consideration of:
 - the review of the programs in dentistry, the pre-registration nursing programs, and;
 - progression with academic programs;
 - the Education in a Digital World strategy;
 - the Systems-Allocated Grades and Grade Point Average policy;
 - the review of the Elder Conservatorium of Music and Centre for Aboriginal Studies in Music – initial implementation plan;
 - the Reasonable Adjustments to Learning, Teaching and Assessment for Students with a Disability Policy;
 - the Open Access Policy; and
 - the election dates for the professional staff members, Chair and Deputy Chair positions.
- the Finance Committee, including:
 - the Q2 March 2023 Financial Result;
 - the 2023 Q2 Forecast;
 - the Auditor-General – 2022 Interim Audit Findings – management actions update;
 - establishing the panel of laboratory research equipment suppliers;
 - the provision of online programs; and
 - endowment fund matters.

Other items

Council received and discussed:

- the annual presentation from the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Arts, Business, Law and Economics; and
- the annual information technology and campus infrastructure updates.

Council considered and approved:

- the dissolution of the Peter Couche Foundation;
- the 2024 Council meeting dates and the annual meeting of the University's community;
- the election dates for student members of Council;
- the appointment of a new Chair for the Alumni Council;
- that Council News be made publicly available;
- amendments to YouX (Adelaide University Union)'s rules concerning committees and standing order; and
- the reappointments of Council members Mr Mike Barber and the Honourable Amanda Vanstone AO for further two-year terms respectively.

Council also noted:

- the YouX Audited Financials 2023; and
- the South Australian Law Reform Institute – 2022 Annual Report.